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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

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Sir:

The following extension of time is requested to: extend the period for reply to the Office Action dated November 15, 2004,

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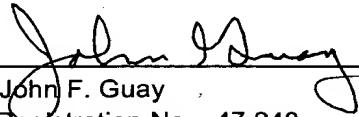
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